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5. [REDACTED] JSW) Talked with Bob Michaels, House Appropriations Committee staff, about [REDACTED] an Appropriations investigating team looking at Defense communications setup. [REDACTED] Michaels agreed that it should not be pushed.

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Thereafter I talked with Bob Kunkle who had called me earlier on this

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[REDACTED] I promised to call him by

Thursday.

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6. [REDACTED] JSW) Talked with Senator Stuart Symington showing him the letter from Senator Thurmond of 16 August indicating the Director would like his advice. Senator Symington indicated that in view of Senator Russell's absence, the Director should discuss this with Senator Stennis and, dependent on his views, probably the Director should then talk directly with Senator Thurmond. I did not mention the possibility of the DDCI taking this up with Senator Thurmond. Part of Symington's reasoning was that Senator Stennis did have some influence over Senator Thurmond.

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7. [REDACTED] JSW) Talked with Senator Symington about S.1035 outlining my talks with Senators Jackson, Dirksen, Milton Young, and Eastland. While we did not discuss the details of the bill, Senator Symington saw the problem and, contrary to the views of some others, indicated that this might be a good one to fight on the floor for an amendment to exempt the Agency. However, in any event, he agreed to use his influence on the Democratic Policy Committee to withhold action until this could be gone into more thoroughly. He also requested that I provide some papers on this and thrash it out thoroughly with his Legislative Assistant, Harriet Robnett.

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8. [REDACTED] JSW) Delivered to Mr. Darden's office the letter to Senator Russell dated 22 August concerning S.1035. Since it was unclassified, I left it with his secretary since it was expected that he would be on the floor most of the day.